

PAWG SETG Minutes of March 25th, 2009

Members Present: Carmel Kail, Roy Allen via speakerphone (BLM Liaison) Cindy Van, Kathy Anderson, Emily Kelley via speakerphone (Questar), Mary Hogarty (Town of Pinedale), Bart Myers (Sublette County PAWG Member), Michael Coburn (Sublette County SocioEconomic Analyst)

Members Absent: James Duran (Shell), Forest Wakefield (Chamber of Commerce), Jason Zakotnik

Visitors: Shelley Gregory, Tim Zebulske (10 yr forecasting discussion)

These Minutes taken by: Carmel Kail

9AM in the BLM-PFO Rendezvous Conference Room

Carmel Kail welcomed everyone, offered to take minutes for this 2009 re-organizational meeting, and asked Bart Myers to co-chair the gathering. As most attendees are new to the SETG, brief roundtable self-introductions were made by all.

BLM PAWG Liaison Shelley Gregory presented and reviewed the PAWG Charter, PAWG and TG operating rules and the BLM Consensus handout. Questions and brief group discussion ensued.

Roy Allen presented an overview of past (2005) SETG 10-year rolling drilling forecast efforts. The related BLM-PFO correspondence, web-linked electronic operator reporting format, and the resulting aggregated (2006-2016) forecast spreadsheet were presented. Roy then reviewed the drilling forecast information gathered by BLM-PFO in February 2009 in connection with PAPA Annual Planning Meeting.

Group discussion followed, noting that 1) the February 2009 forecasts were limited to PAPA operators, whereas the prior forecasting request was for operators Countywide and 2) the February 2009 reporting format was not uniform or to the same level of detail as the prior forecasting effort. The TG resolved to **recommend to PAWG that BLM-PFO request all operators in Sublette County to complete the attached 10 year rolling forecast spreadsheet. The request should be issued as soon as possible (April), and thereafter annually in conjunction with PAPA Annual Planning meeting forecasting (every Dec-Jan ?), with aggregated results to be provided to the SETG and Sublette County Commissioners no later than March 15 each year (except May 30 of this year). As previously, operator reporting could be accomplished by posting the report spreadsheet online.** Reasons for recommending forecasting ASAP include: 1) forecasting was not requested of non-PAPA operators, 2) the desired information (*forecasted number of rigs each month for next two years, and total rig-months each year for following 8 years*) was not recently obtained from PAPA operators, 3) drilling plans have recently been unusually volatile owing to economic conditions so updated and complete forecasting is highly desirable, 4) because the SETG and others will be basing work this year on whatever forecasts are made available, and 5) to assure continuance of Countywide forecasting, it is felt important that the request and reporting become institutionalized. Emily brought to attention that BLM decision documents do not require operators to respond to this drilling forecast request, that PAPA and Jonah operators had recently provided forecasts in connection with their required Annual Reports, and that the request might be better received if emanating from the County Commissioners or other non-BLM entity. Following further discussion, the group agreed to forward the above-summarized recommendation, noting explicitly that the SETG would re-assess the requesting / reporting format if response was not satisfactory.

Cindy, Roy and Carmel offered to organize information and correspondence / format examples related to this SETG Recommendation and disseminate via email for quick feedback so that the Recommendation could be presented to PAWG the following afternoon.

Harking back to the meeting self-introductions (several local government employees / elected officials among SETG members) and the suggestion that forecast requests come from Sublette County Commissioners, SETG coordination with local government was questioned / discussed. Bart and Michael agreed to report on SETG activities at the County Commissioners April 17 meeting and garner any feedback from them. Mary Hogarty will do the same with the Pinedale Town Council and bring us any feedback.

As the time was late, Michael gave a very abbreviated view of a powerpoint presentation on Housing, to be re-presented and discussed in more detail at the next SETG meeting.

SETG meeting dates were set as follows: All meetings to run from **8 am - noon**.

April 16

April 30

May 21

June 18

The meeting adjourned at 12:15.

Certified as accurate: Carmel T. Kail

Date: 4/16/2009